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TO AMEMBASSY PORT MORESBY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, PP

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US-PNG NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) PORT MORESBY 1435 (B) PORT MORESBY 1423

1. EMBASSY IS CORRECT THAT NEW INTERNATIONAL AVIATION  
POLICY WILL NECESSITATE SOME CHANGE IN AGREEMENT TEXT.  
USG IS IN PROCESS OF REDRAFTING COMPLETE AGREEMENT.  
HOWEVER, AS GPNG HAS ALREADY ACCEPTED OLD "STANDARD  
TEXT" USG WISHES TO MODIFY ONLY "RATE" ARTICLE OR ARTICLE  
12 OF STANDARD TEXT. SUITABLE VARIATION FOR PNG NOW  
BEING DRAFTED AND WILL BE FORWARDED FOR PRESENTATION TO  
GPNG WHEN READY.

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2. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO ASSURE ITSELF THAT GPNG UNDER-  
STANDS THAT CAPACITY PROVISIONS OF "STANDARD TEXT"  
(ARTICLE 11) EMBODIES SO-CALLED TRADITIONAL "BERMUDA  
PRINCIPLES" WHICH DO NOT ALLOW PREDETERMINATION OF CAP-  
ACITY BY GOVERNMENTS BUT LEAVE SETTING OF FREQUENCIES TO  
RESPECTIVE AIRLINES. THEREFORE, DEPARTMENT ASKS EMBASSY  
TO REVIEW THIS ARTICLE WITH GPNG INFORMALLY. IF GPNG

SHARES USG UNDERSTANDING, THERE IS NO NEED TO CHANGE THIS ARTICLE.

3. IN MEANTIME, EMBASSY SHOULD PROCEED DIRECTLY INTO ROUTE NEGOTIATIONS. FOLLOWING IS US ROUTE PROPOSAL IN FORMAT OF AGREEMENT'S SCHEDULE:

QUOTE: A. AN AIRLINE OR AIRLINES....TO MAKE SCHEDULED LANDINGS IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA AT THE POINT SPECIFIED IN THIS PARAGRAPH:

1. FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VIA POINTS IN MISIA TO PORT MORESBY AND BEYOND.

B. AN AIRLINE OR AIRLINES....AT THE POINTS SPECIFIED IN THIS PARAGRAPH:

1. FROM PAPUA NEW GUINEA TO HONOLULU AND GUAM.

C. POINTS ON ANY OF THE SPECIFIED ROUTES MAY, AT THE OPTION OF EACH DESIGNATED AIRLINE, BE OMITTED ON ANY OR ALL FLIGHTS. UNQUOTE.

4. EMBASSY SHOULD REPORT GPNG REACTION AND ITS COUNTER-OFFER IF IT DOES NOT ACCEPT US PROPOSAL. FYI. US ROUTE DESCRIPTION IS HARDFAST EXCEPT "BEYOND RIGHTS" WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERHAPS COULD BE MADE MORE SPECIFIC. EMBASSY MAY, AT ITS DISCRETION, SAY THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME FLEXIBILITY IN CHARACTERIZATION OF US BEYOND RIGHTS.

5. ALSO AT ITS DISCRETION EMBASSY COULD INFORM GPNG ACROSS TABLE THAT CONTINENTAL PRESENTLY IS ONLY US AIRLINE INTERESTED IN SERVICE TO PORT MORESBY AND BEYOND AND THAT IT WOULD PROBABLY OPERATE B-727'S FROM MICRONESIA AND GUAM.

6. ONCE SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON ROUTE AND NEW RATE ARTICLE, AMBASSADOR WOULD BE IN POSITION TO PREPARE AND INITIAL AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT AND HAVE COPY POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT FOR REVIEW. IF THERE ARE NO PROBLEMS, EDITORIALY OR OTHERWISE, WE WOULD REQUEST CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY FOR AMBASSADOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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